MEMORANDUM

Department of Environmental Quality WATER DIVISION CLEAN WATER FINANCING & ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (CWFAP)

629 East Main Street Richmond, VA 23219

SUBJECT: Stormwater Local Assistance Fund --- Solicitation of Applications

TO: Potential Grant Recipients

FROM: DEQ - CLEAN WATER FINANCING & ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

DATE: OCTOBER 4, 2013

The Department of Environmental Quality is pleased to announce the solicitation of applications for financial assistance through the newly created Stormwater Local Assistance Fund (SLAF). DEQ will have \$35 million in matching grant funds for distribution.

Applications are being solicited for stormwater projects including: i) new stormwater best management practices; ii) stormwater best management practice retrofits, iii) stream restoration; iv) low impact development projects, v) buffer restorations, vi) pond retrofits, and vii) wetlands restoration. Eligible recipients are local governments, meaning any county, city, town, municipal corporation, authority, district, commission, or political subdivision created by the General Assembly or pursuant to the Constitution or laws of the Commonwealth.

To be considered for this funding, two (2) completed applications must be postmarked no later than Friday, November 15, 2013 or hand delivered by 5:00 p.m. on November 15, 2013 and submitted to:

Mr. Walter Gills, Program Manager Department of Environmental Quality P. O. Box 1105 Richmond, VA 23218 (804) 698-4133 walter.gills@deq.virginia.gov

(FOR HAND DELIVERY) 629 East Main Street-Front Desk Richmond, VA 23219

We plan to evaluate the stormwater applications received and present a proposed funding list to the DEQ Director in December 2013.

Attached is the application form as well as the SLAF Program Guidelines. For more details regarding the application process or assistance in completing the application, please contact Kelsey Brooks (804) 698-4321, kelsey.brooks@deq.virginia.gov; Kelly Ward (804) 698-4295, kelly.ward@deq.virginia.gov; or John Kennedy (804) 698-4312, john.kennedy@deq.virginia.gov.

DEQ is holding a SLAF Application Webinar to assist SLAF applicants with the application process. The webinar will include an overview of the SLAF application requirements; examples will be provided as well as an opportunity to answer questions.

The webinar will be held Wednesday, October 16th from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Reserve you seat now at https://www3.gotomeeting.com/register/595715974.

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